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A BILL FOR

1 An Act requesting establishment of an interim study committee on
2 automobile insurance direct repair programs.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
4 TLSB 2463XS 83
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1 1 Section 1. INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE == AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE
1 2 DIRECT REPAIR PROGRAMS.
1 3 1. The legislative council is requested to establish an
1 4 interim study committee to study direct repair programs used
1 5 by some automobile insurance companies to provide repairs for
1 6 the insurance company's claimants. The study shall include
1 7 but is not limited to a review and analysis of the use of such
1 8 direct repair programs by the automobile insurance industry in
1 9 Iowa and the effect of the use of such programs on automotive
1 10 body repair shops, insurance costs, and Iowa consumers. In
1 11 addition to legislative members, the membership of the interim
1 12 study committee shall include the following public members:
1 13 a. Three consumers, one designated by the insurance
1 14 consumer advocate, one designated by the Iowa citizen action
1 15 network, and one designated by abate of Iowa, incorporated.
1 16 b. Four members who represent automotive body repair shops
1 17 in the state, two designated by the national federation of
1 18 independent business and two designated by the association of
1 19 business and industry.
1 20 c. Four members from the automobile insurance industry
1 21 designated by the federation of Iowa insurers.
1 22 2. The committee shall meet twice during the 2009
1 23 legislative interim and shall submit findings and any
1 24 recommendations in a report to the general assembly by January
1 25 1, 2010.

EXPLANATION

1 26 This bill requests that the legislative council establish
1 27 an interim study committee to study direct repair programs
1 28 used by some automobile insurance companies to provide repairs
1 29 for the insurance company's claimants. The study shall
1 30 include a review and analysis of the use of such programs in
1 31 Iowa and their effect on automotive body repair shops,
1 32 insurance costs, and Iowa consumers. In addition to
1 33 legislative members, the membership of the committee shall
1 34 include 11 public members designated by specified entities.
2 1 The committee shall meet twice during the 2009 legislative
2 2 interim and submit its findings and any recommendations to the
2 3 general assembly by January 1, 2010.
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